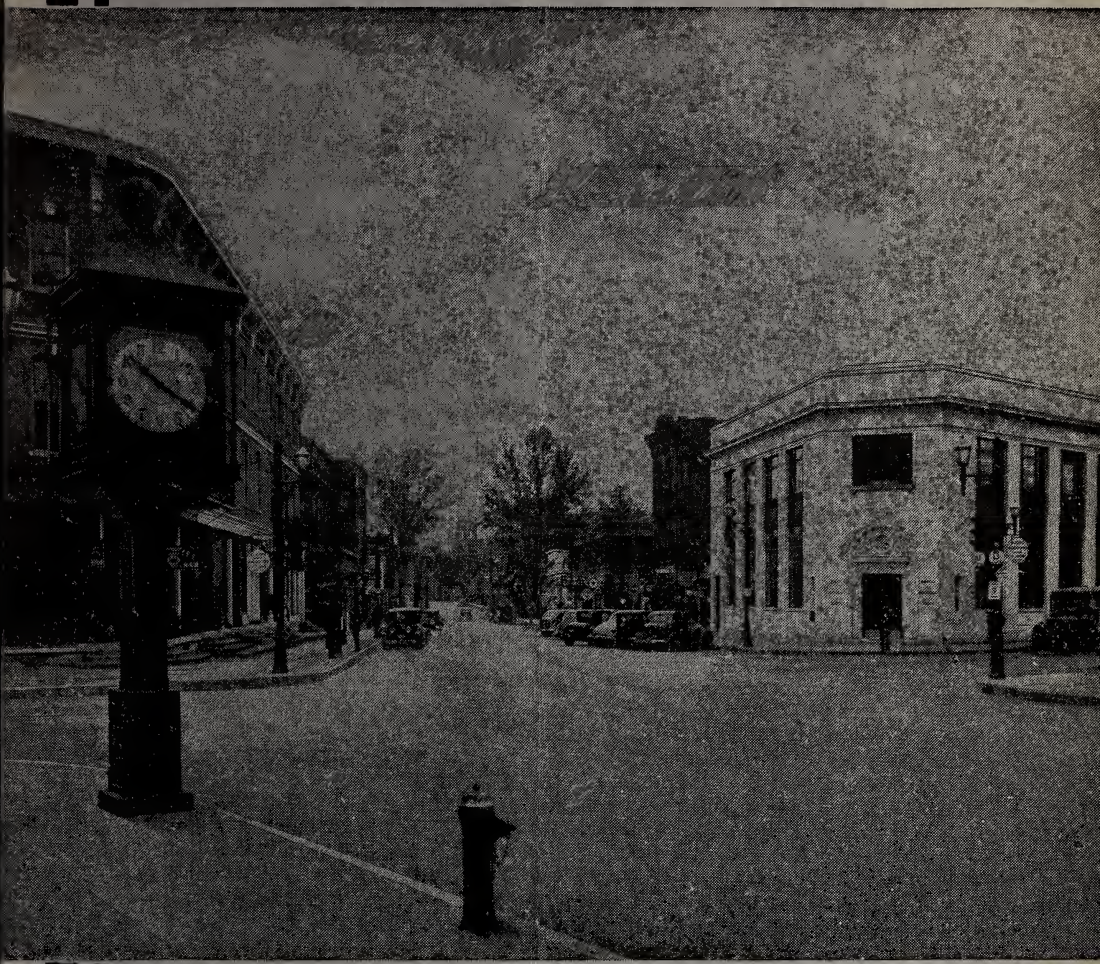

Village of

BENNINGTON

Vermont

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Village Officers

President	Clerk	Treasurer
J. Halsey Cushman	Wm. P. Hogan	W. B. Shea

Corporation Attorney	Sewer and Highway Commissioner
F. Raymond Paddock	Charles McGuire

Collector	Chief of Police	Chief of Fire Dept.
Julia K. Nash	Louis J. Aubuchon	Edward Silver

Auditors

Arthur Elwell	Kenneth Clayton	Ishmael Waite

Trustees

Ward 1	CHARLES SAUSVILLE	Expires 1940
Ward 2	HARRY CLARK	Expires 1939
Ward 3	JOHN PROUD	Expires 1939
Ward 4	WM. F. LONERGAN	Expires 1938—Deceased
Ward 5	KARL ESTES	Expires 1938
Ward 6	R. M. PADDOCK	Expires 1938
Ward 7	ROBERT HARVEY	Expires 1940

WATER DEPARTMENT

President	Clerk	Treasurer
L. H. Ross	W. P. Hogan	W. B. Shea

Superintendent

Grover Lyons

Ward 1	ROBERT SMITH	Expires 1939
Ward 2	ALFRED ELLETT	Expires 1940
Ward 3	R. E. HOWARD	Expires 1939
Ward 4	THEODORE THOMAS	Expires 1940
Ward 5	F. HAVILAND SIBLEY	Expires 1938
Ward 6	DR. L. H. ROSS	Expires 1939
Ward 7	W. T. WHITE	Expires 1938

Trustees Report

Trustees have drawn orders for the payment of bills on account of:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Water rent to July 1, 1937		$ 2808 00
Eureka Fire Hose Division, 2000 ft. of fire hose		1480 00
Reimbursement of firemen's taxes	$ 1123 20	
Appropriaitons	1200 00	
Services of band for inspection	100 00	
Putnam Hose, reimbursement on supplies	17 50	2440 70
F. Howard Ferguson, salary and supplies		1311 57
Wills Insurance Agency, insurance on trucks	428 05	
Insurance on firemen	218 75	
		646 80
Gamewell Fire Alarm Company, supplies		474 77
Lawrence Sears, labor and supplies		410 23
H. M. Tuttle Company, coal		295 56
H. W. Myers & Son, Inc., coal		270 88
H. W. Myers & Sons, Inc., repairs to trucks		233 41
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. service		306 55
Twin State Gas & Electric Co., lights		196 28
Edward Silver, Chief, drying hose		159 30
Arthur Blanchard, nozzles and supplies		132 12
Michael Toomey, labor and supplies		123 99
Aird-Don Company, supplies for shower baths		111 63
Portland Rubber Company, fire hose		55 00
T. A. Carpenter & Sons, supplies		81 18
Seagrave Corporation, supplies		53 57
Charles Beach, labor and supplies		29 64
Henry Walbridge, insurance on fire alarm system		75 00
The Fyr-Fyter Company, refills for extinguishers		38 40
White Garage, batteries		62 24
G. Spencer Lee, battery		32 55
Dill's Insurance Agency, insurance on fire houses		36 46
Bennington Garage, labor on trucks		33 26
Carins Brothers, helmets		88 00
Floyd Remington, painting sign		38 00
George Small, labor and supplies		18 25
J. L. Thompson & Son, tetrachloride		12 00
Taylor's Garage, storage on trucks		35 00
Guy Morse, labor and supplies Hook and Ladder house		36 34
D. T. Murray, labor		13 86
Lovett & Boynton, supplies		35 19
C. D. Reese, badges		31 50
Wallace Burritt, radiator		9 00
Henry Thomayer, labor		15 30
Keesemen & Bennett, printing		9 25
E. Z. Mills, cloth		5 25

F. E. Howe, advertising	3 00
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	23 54
H. H. Warren, supplies	1 10
Nichols Electric, supplies	1 50
William Trembley, labor	3 35
F. L. Potter, supplies	2 52
George Pierce, labor	2 85
Rutland Railroad Co., freight	1 06
Holden-Leonard, acid	5 00
H. W. Putnam, lumber	6 00
L. S. Brach Mfg. Co., fuses	5 60
Seymore Wood, supplies	3 50
American LaFrance & Foamite Ind., Inc. supplies	7 67
George Rose, wood	4 00
Adams Hardware Co., supplies	1 08
Russell O'Connell, labor at Stark Hose	14 99
A. Drysdale & Son, treads for stairs	8 50
Fred Silver, labor at Stark Hose	36 00
Edward Silver, Chief, salary for Chief Engineer for period Ending 2-1-38	200 00
Joseph Laflamme, salary as 1st Asst. Eng. for period ending 2-1-38	100 00
Lawrence Sears, salary as 2nd Asst. Eng. for period ending 2-1-38	100 00
A. J. Dewey, lumber	43 26
	$ 12,820 55

POLICE

Louis J. Aubuchon, expense to police school	$ 100 00	
Salary	1950 00	
Fees returned	41 64	2091 64
Elmer Mattison, Asst. Chief, salary	1560 00	
Fees returned	98 15	1658 15
John Elwell, salary	1378 00	
Fees returned	24 95	1402 95
Frank Cone, salary	1378 00	
Fees returned	37 25	1415 25
Richard Perrott, salary	1378 00	
Fees returned	65 60	1443 60
George Benedict, salary	1378 00	
Fees returned	42 50	1420 50
Special police officers		320 00
County National Bank, interest on short term loans		5 72

Supplies

Dr. C. S. Buchanan, rental of garage from 8-1-35 to 8-1-37	168 00
A. E. Hollister, insurance on police car and motorcycle	111 70
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. service	149 32
Fechheimer Bros., trousers and caps	85 75
H. W. Myers & Son, Inc., labor on police car	56 27
H. W. Myers & Son, Inc., police car	334 00
Wills Insurance Agency, chief of police bond	50 00
Burt Bros., two dozen shirts	52 82
Town of Bennington, rental of police rooms	41 67
Harold Thresher, supplies for motorcycle	24 41
Lawrence Sears, labor and supplies	37 38
Bennington Bookshop, supplies for office	15 10
John Gibney, painting signs (village ordinances)	40 00
H. H. Warren, labor on radio	5 00
H. E. Estes, paint for signs	5 40
Reliable Radio Shop, labor on radio	3 50
Home Furniture Co., rug	7 95
F. L. Beecher, first aid supplies	2 85
Rudd Sign Service, lettering inhalator	2 00
George Small, repairing belt	1 75
A. H. Winslow, Inc., keys	1 80
H. B. Hutchins, insurance on furniture	14 15
Gulf Oil Corp., oil	7 90
	$ 10,976 53

STREET LIGHTING

Twelve months	$ 8606 43

ANNUAL AND SPECIAL VILLAGE MEETNGS

Salary of ballot clerks and Board of Civil Authority	$ 820 00
Keeseman & Bennett, printing Village Reports	180 20
Lynn Wood, election supplies	184 00
F. E. Howe, advertising	26 00
Polly Joy Restaurant, lunch	23 00
James Hamilton, putting up and taking down booths	20 00
Harrington's Express, carting booths	8 00
Ray Wood, rental of public address speaker	5 00
Mrs. Jane McKee, services	3 00
	$ 1269 20

REFUNDING VILLAGE INDEBTEDNESS AND INTEREST

First National Bank of Boston, Mass:		
Interest on $40,000 bonds at 4½% from 11-15-36 to 11-15-37	$ 1,800.00	
Interest on $98,000 bonds at 1½% from 11-15-36 to 11-15-37	1,470.00	
Bonds due 11-15-37	20,000.00	
Interest on tax anticipation warrants	429.19	$ 23,699.19

APPROPRIATIONS, FEES AND SALARIES

Elmer Rockwood, care and lease of dumping ground from April 1, 1937, to April 1, 1938	$ 1100 00
Hilda Hurley, salary	1144 00
W. P. Hogan, salary	1149 96
Bennington Chamber of Commerce, appropriation	200 00
I. F. Waite, auditing	55 00
Julia Harwood, auditing	28 05
George Bond, auditing	10 80
Mrs. Vivian Jaquith, auditing	20 90
President and Trustee's salary for period ending March 1, 1938	360 00
F. R. Paddock, services as Corporation Attorney period ending March 15, 1938	502 00
Patrick Brazell, salary	600 00
	$ 5170 71

MISCELLANEOUS

Wills Insurance Agency:		
Compensation insurance	$ 987 76	
Public liability	286 99	
Treasurer bond	50 00	
Messenger and burglary insurance	20 25	$ 1345 00
W. H. Lloyd, spraying and caring for village trees		743 45
M. E. Rudd, labor changing fire and police alarm system		559 04
Town of Bennington, rental of village office		450 00
Kathryn Morrissey, making rate bill		250 00
Twin State Gas & Electric Co., office and traffic lights		265 59
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. service		97 49
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., care and repair of machine		43 50
Oliver St. Jean, labor at Betit property		50 08
Lawrence Sears, labor on traffic lights		16 32
Veterans of Foreign Wars, license refunded		20 00
F. E. Howe, advertising		11 33
F. S. Rice, care of clock and repairs		80 00
Douglass Hawks, tax collector bond		12 50
Typewriter Service Co., labor on typewriter		7 50

Rutland Railroad Company, freight	6 25
William Braisted, establishing grades	11 00
H. H. Warren, repairs to stop lights	7 80
John Morin, labor at village office	1 25
A. Drysdale & Son, repairing shade	1 25
Barbara Hodeck, cleaning office	2 50
Western Union, rental of clock	7 50
M. J. Burrington, Jr., labor changing stop and go lights	195 14
Charles Beach, labor	4 40
National Survey, Year Book	1 50
W. B. Shea, Treasurer, envelopes	43 92
W. B. Shea, Treasurer, transferred to Cemetery Acct.	319 25
W. B. Shea ,Treasurer, transferred to regular Highway Acct.	4783 91
W. B. Shea, Treasurer, transfered to special Highway Acct.	4729 00
	$ 14,071 47

SUPPLIES

Bancoft Martin Rolling Co., pipe	$ 764 62
Cities Service Refining Co., gasoline	1061 76
Noble & Wood, supplies for traffic lights	93 00
Keeseman & Bennett, supplies for Treasurer	54 22
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies for repairing shed on Safford Street	102 21
Allentown First Aid Company, Firone	47 04
Livingston Press, office supplies	60 15
Gulf Oil Corporation, oil	36 85
Unite States Post Office, stamps and envelopes	17 32
Lyle Sign Company, no parking signs	17 70
Redfield Norcross Co., paper towels	11 90
H. A. Manning Company, office supplies	10 25
Bennington Bookshop, office supplies	9 10
Joseph Evans, office supplies	15 14
Star Paper Fastener Company, fasteners	1 50
Adams Hardware Company, supplies	1 42
T. A. Carpenter & Sons, Inc., supplies	3 15
Village of North Bennington, stop light and control box	50 00
	$ 2357 33

REIMBURSEMENTS

Agnes Niles, ½ cost of sidewalk construction	$ 41 00
Anna E. Dakin, ½ cost of sidewalk construction	41 45
C. J. Kinsley, ½ cost of sidewalk construction	39 17
Richard Atwell, ½ cost of sidewalk construction	25 84
	$ 147 46

CEMETERY ACCOUNT

The American Agricultural Chemical Co., lime	$ 63 00
Walbridge Company, canvas	24 00
Albert McDermott, extra labor	20 00
H. W. Myers and Son, cement	8 70
J. W. Pierce, sharpening lawn mowers	8 00
Livingston Press, payroll sheets	5 75
H. M. Tuttle Company, cement	5 60
Walbridge Insurance Co., insurance on tool house	5 00
Keeseman and Bennett, bill heads	4 00
T. A. Carpenter and Son, lumber	4 50
Israel LaFlamme, gravel	3 30
George Burgess, gravel	2 50
Orders drawn for payrolls	* 1100 00
	$ 1254 35

Disbursements of Payroll Orders

Albert McDermott, foreman	$ 606 00	
Village employees as shown by payrolls	493 50	
County National Bank, interest	50	
	$ 1100 00*	

ROAD OILING

Standard Oil Company of N. Y.		
22,600 gallons liquid asphalt (delivered in truck lots) at .1085 per gallon	$ 2452 10	
14,184 gallons liquid asphalt (delivered in tank car lots) at .0985 per. gal.	1397 12	$ 3849 22
Israel Laflamme, sand		1048 85
Current payroll orders		950 00
		$ 5848 07
Trustees orders for payrolls	$ 950 00	
Balance from last audit	23 00	
	$ 973 00	

DISBURSEMENTS

Arthur Theberge, truck driver	$ 22 17
Geo. Jepson, truck driver	56 25
Michael Hogan, truck driver	53 75
Guy Sumner, road roller engineer	16 12
Village employees as shown by payroll	792 42
County National Bank, interest on short time loan	58
Balance unexpended	31 71
	$ 973 00

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Care and Maintenance of Sewer System

Village of Bennington Water Dept., flushing from 7-1-36 to 7-1-37		$ 300 00
George Pierce, labor and supplies		41 20
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies		50 11
H. M. Tuttle Company, cement and brick		65 10
Twin State Gas & Electric Co., use of compressor		49 00
Adams Hardware Company, supplies		14 75
H. W. Myers & Son, cement and tile		13 25
Forrest Bros., supplies		6 00
D. T. Murray, labor		5 56
Rutland Railroad Company, right of way		2 00
Bennington Garage, labor on tractor		3 10
		$ 550 07
Trustees payroll orders		1850 00
		$ 2400 07

Recapitulation

Balance as shown by last audit		$ 17 45	
Current payroll orders		1850 00	
		$ 1867 45	
Wm. Braisted, commissioner to 4-1-37	$ 70 00		
Charles McGuire, commissioner	450 00		
Village employes as shown by payrolls	1142 31		
W. P. A.			
Labor furnished by village, installing sewer on Pratt, Bradford Imperial Ave.	147 75	1810 06	
Unexpended balance		$ 57 39	

HIGHWAY BILLS

Casellini Venable Corporation. snow plow	$ 585 00		
Supplies	29 43		$ 614 43
Israel Laflamme, sand, gravel and stone			740 07
Solvay Sales, Inc., calcium chloride			747 15
Standard Oil Company, Binder B.			883 25
H. M. Tuttle Co., coal for roller	301 00		
Traffic paint	61 80		
Cement	29 58		
Plowing snow	49 50		441 88

W. B. Shea, Treas., interest on avail orders	138 66
William Eddington, storage and repairs	137 30
Blue Line Garage, repairs to truck and storage	115 50
Robert Dempsey, labor and supplies	133 95
Healy Bros, labor and supplies	122 35
Richfield Oil Corp., kerosene	106 21
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	102 48
Morris Levin, plowing sidewalk	93 75
Twin State Gas & Electric Co., use of compressor	61 50
H. W. Putnam, feed for horses	95 80
A. E. Hollister, insurance on trucks	76 90
Wills Insurance Agency, insurance on truck	72 75
W. E. Bronson, gravel	71 35
Henry Walbridge, insurance on truck	71 90
William Dailey, gravel	55 56
Buffalo Springfield Roller Co., supplies for roller	45 65
Town of Bennington, pipe	28 50
Adams Hardware Company, supplies	23 15
E. L. Sibley Mfg. Company, labor	20 95
Bennington Garage, labor on truck	17 15
T. A. Carpenter & Son, lumber	18 61
M. J. Burrington, establishing grades	27 00
Burt Bros., gloves and rubber coats	29 25
Forrest Bros., supplies	17 85
H. E. Estes, paint	17 77
Traffic Equipment Co., steel brooms	21 00
A. J. Dewey, lumber	21 14
Edward Rooney, plowing snow	17 25
Davey & Waite, kerosene	22 23
Town of Shaftsbury, gravel	21 35
A. Drysdale & Son, boots	17 15
Alfred Harbour, sand	18 53
Livingston Press, bill heads	8 00
Walter Killian, all purpose jack	12 50
Warren Armstrong storage of calcium chloride	12 00
Charles Beach, labor	3 75
Dr. Illingsworth, services	6 00
Moffitt's Welding Service, labor	6 00
Montgomery Ward, supplies	4 59
Haynes & Kane, paint	2 50
Auto Economy Store, switch for spotlight	2 38
Holden Leonard Co., ashes	2 00
O'Toole Taxi Service, gasoline	1 91
Bugbee Garage, labor	1 70
American Railway Express, express	2 48
	$ 5333 08

SPECIAL HIGHWAY

Constructing reinforced cement highway, curb-gutter and catch basin on Beech Street southerly from Main Street 290 ft.	$ 2779 00
Constructing reinforced cement highway, curb and gutter on Silver Street, southerly from Union Street 214½ ft.	1915 00
Establishing grades on said streets	35 00
	$ 4729 00

HIGHWAY ACCOUNTS

Credits

Balance shown by last report	$ 169.33	
Trustees orders payable to Harry Clark, chairman	15,400.00	$ 15,569.33

DISBURSEMENTS

General Work

Wm. Braisted, commissioner to 4-1-37	$ 197 00	
Chas. McGuire, commissioner from 4-1-37 to Mar. 1, 1938	1080 00	
Arthur Theberge, truck driver	1207 50	
George Jepson, truck driver	1102 81	
Michael Hogan, truck driver	1050 73	
Clarence Brooks, truck driver	252 01	
Guy Sumner, road roller eng.	1295 62	
James McCaffery, cleaning streets	508 00	
Village employes as shown by payrolls	6419 88	$ 13,113 55

Sanding and Removing Snow

William Braisted, commissioner to 4-1-37	$ 83 00	
Chas. McGuire, commissioner	35 00	
Arthur Theberge, truck driver	133 73	
George Jepson, truck driver	126 49	
Michael Hogan, truck driver	109 80	
Clarence Brooks, truck driver to April 1, 1937	68 13	
Village employes as shown by payrolls	603 63	$ 1159 78

Trucks

Wm. Trembley	$ 20 63		
Ralph Thurber	21 25		
Arthur Lemineux	21 25		
Edward Laflamme	37 50		
George Burgess	21 25		
Harry Dickie	21 25		
Israel Laflamme	21 25		
Noel Olin	21 25	$	185 63

Plowing Sidewalks

James Hogan, use of horse 27½ hrs. at $1 per hour	$ 27 50		
James Hogan, 34½ hours at $1.50	51 75		
Curtis Mattison, driver	4 50		
Elmer Crawford, driver	7 75	$	91 50

Picking Up Tin Cans

Michael Hogan, truck driver	$ 10 00		
George Jepson, truck driver	10 00		
Arthur Theberge, truck driver	8 12		
Village employees as shown by payroll	53 00		81 12

Repairing Highway Shed

Fred Silver	$ 39 75		
John Gibney	17 00		
Otis Dwyer	14 00		
John Downer	12 50	$	83 25

Building Skating Rink

Charles McGuire	$ 10 00		
Arthur Theberge, truck driver	10 00		
Michael Hogan, truck driver	10 00		
George Jepson, truck driver	10 00		
Village employees as shown by payrolls	71 00	$	111 00
County National Bank, interest on short time loans	12 37		
Motor Vehicle Dept. license plates	40 50	$	52 87

Recapitulation

Credits as shown by report	$ 15,569.33
Disbursements	14,878.70
Unexpended balance	$ 690.63

W. P. A. PROJECTS

Repairing Putnam Hose Building

H. M. Tuttle Company, cement	$ 69 07
A. J. Dewey, lumber	57 06
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	39 36
H. E. Estes, paint	19 54
George McKeon, paint	13 80
Aird-Don Company, shower drain	7 73
	$ 206 56

Repairing Stark Hose Building

A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies		$ 130 18
A. J. Dewey, lumber		212 17
T. A. Carpenter & Son, lumber		129 67
H. E. Estes, paint		79 62
George McKeon, paint		48 30
F. L. Potter, supplies		22 03
Guy Morse, use of scraper		22 22
Aird-Don Company, shower drain		7 75
H. M. Tuttle Company, cement		7 07
Henry Thomayer, labor		1 25
Adams Hardware Co., supplies		4 10
A. Drysdale & Son, supplies		2 19
Labor:		
Fred Silver	$ 60 00	
Ashley Laflamme	33 50	
Russell O'Connell	18 00	111 50
		$ 778 05

Repairing Eagle Hose Building

T. A. Carpenter & Son, lumber and supplies	$ 181 23
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	74 49
Adams Hardware Co., supplies	59 52
H. M. Tuttle Company, cement and brick	43 31
Guy Morse, use of scraper	27 73
A. J. Dewey, lumber	42 56
H. E. Estes, paint	12 02
Aird-Don Company, shower drain	7 98

Labor		
Fred Silver	$ 144 00	
John Ahearn	2 00	
S. Percey	117 75	
Ashley Laflamme	84 00	
Henry Thomayer	14 40	
Anthony DiePietro	70 50	
Edward Levesque	26 50	459 15
		$ 907 99

Sewer on Pratt, Imperial and Bradford Streets

William Braisted, plans and supervision	$ 269 25
Noble and Wood, manhole covers	353 50
H. W. Myers and Son, brick and tile pipe	290 11
H. M. Tuttle Co., brick and tile pipe	251 31
Peter Lemieux, brick	26 60
Adams Hardware Company, supplies	53 33
T. A. Carpenter and Son, supplies	20 50
H. W. Putnam, lumber	24 48
F. L. Potter, supplies	15 66
M. J. Burrington, Jr., pipe	14 40
Israel LaFlamme, sand and gravel	19 35
Robert Hill, blue prints	13 50
Harrington's Express, cartage	6 53
New York Store, boots	11 67
Harry Noon, Inc., boots	11 85
Keystone Envelope Co., supplies	3 99
William Trembley, filing saw	1 00
	$ 1387 03

Installing sanitary sewer on Hunt Street from intersection of County Street to Walloomsac River and from Hunt Street easterly to Soldiers' Home

William Braisted, plans and supervision	$ 1067 75
H. M. Tuttle Company, tile pipe, cement and brick	785 84
H. W. Myers and Son, tile pipe, cement and brick	653 52
Noble and Wood, manhole covers	621 00
Israel LaFlamme, sand and gravel	118 05
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	193 26
H. W. Putnam, lumber	99 68
Robert Dempsey, labor and supplies	151 20
Servicised Products Corp, Tufflex	70 22
Rutland Railroad Company, freight	94 01
F. L. Potter, supplies	24 66
Giles Harbour, wood	31 00
Adams Hardware Co., supplies	12 64
T. A. Carpenter and Son, supplies	10 39
American Railway Express, express	9 66

A. J. Dewey, lumber	7 09
Harry Noon, Inc., boots	7 90
Sika Company, Sika	6 00
New York Store, boots	3 89
Peter Belisle, labor	2 00
Jack Taylor, gasoline	3 43
A. E. Phillips, painting signs	9 00
Arthur Watson, building manhole	18 00
	$ 4000 69

(There is to be a credit of $2000 from the State of Vermont towards the expense of constructing the Hunt Street sewer project)

ANNUAL REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 1st, 1937, to February 28th, 1938

Kind of Crime	Arrests	Convictions	Pending	Nol Prossed
Breaking Jail	1	1	0	0
Burglary	1	1	0	0
Careless and negligent driving	11	11	0	0
Disturbing the peace	20	19	1	0
Driving under influence	5	5	0	0
Forgery	1	1	0	0
Fraud	4	4	0	0
Grand Larceny	2	2	0	0
Intoxication	221	221	0	0
Leaving scene of an accident	1	1	0	0
Non-support	2	2	0	0
Petit Larceny	2	2	0	0
Possession and sale of alcohol	2	2	0	0
Ringing false fire alarm	2	2	0	0
Robbery	1	1	0	0
Vagrancy	3	3	0	0
Violation of Probation	1	1	0	0
Total	280	279	1	0

Accidents covered	111
Attempted breaks	2
Attempted suicide	1
Breaks reported	8
Breaks cleared	5
Calls answered	203
Complaints received	138
Complaints investigated	138
Doors unlocked	125
Fugitives apprehended	1
Insane persons committed	3
Lights reported out	119
Petit Larceny reported	2
Runaway boys apprehended	3
Stolen bicycles recovered	3
Windows found open	6
Miles traveled in police car	25,289
Miles traveled with motorcycle	3,481

Report of the Village Clerk

W. P. Hogan, in account with Village Licenses

Current fee for peddlers	$ 422 00
Motion pictures	200 00
Circus, Downie Brothers; tent shows	130 00
Taxi stand	30 00
Restaurant, pool rooms, dance halls	21 00
	$ 803 00

Avail orders in anticipation of taxes

General Fund Account	$ 25400 00
Highway Fund Account	12600 00

Report of the Tax Collector

February 1, 1937 to February 1, 1938

	Taxes Uncol. 2-1-37	Col.	Abated	Unpaid 2-1-38	War. Fees
1925	$ 406.91	$ 1.81	$ 405.10		
1928	19.16	1.60		17.56	.05
1929	815.49	26.57	715.60	73.32	.10
1930	600.84	18.64	534.81	47.39	.25
1931	1,420.75	428.98	247.05	744.72	2.90
1932	3,147.63	964.25	321.35	1,862.03	4.15
1933	4.147.30	1,350.98	240.30	2,556.02	3.95
1934	4,165.68	1,298.77	283.95	2,582.96	6.00
1935	4,244.54	1,076.13	251.10	2,917.31	5.55
1936	5,521.05	1,436.18	237.60	3,847.27	10.20
1937	6,421.40	813.65	550.87½	5,056.87½	2.30
	$30,910.75	$7,417.56*	$3.787.73½	$19,705.45½	$35.95

Application of taxes collected:

Village	$6,471.27
Highway	946.29
	$7,417.56*

Report of the Treasurer

W. B. SHEA, Treasurer

In Account with Village Rate Bill for 1937

1937		
Aug. 1	To Rate Bill, Village of Bennington for 1937	$100,161.93
	To Rate Bill, Village of Bennington Highway for 1937	11 900.43
		$112,062.36
1937		
Nov. 1	By Account paid into Treasury direct, Gen. Fund	$ 90,645.77
	By Account paid into Treasury direct, H'way Fund	11,218.28
	By 4% on Rate Bill, General Taxes collected	3,776.91
	By Rate Bill to Tax Collector, General Fund	5,739.25
	By Rate Bill to Tax Collector, Highway Fund	682.15
		$112,062.36

W. B. SHEA, Treasurer

In Account with General Fund

Dr.

1937	
March—Balance as shown by last audit	$ 2,489.26
Avail orders for current year—Nos. 8507, 8576, 8626, 8693, 8694 and 8751	26,400.00
Taxes paid not on Grand List	26.23
Delinquent taxes	6,507.61
Taxes paid Treasurer	90,645.77
Refund of tax—Francis Lee Hartt	9.36
Village licenses	803.00
Sidewalk assessments	122.06
Proceeds—lease of dumping ground	375.00
Compromise on Village ordinances	299.00
Proceeds—half cost of office expenses—paid by Water Dept.	1,113.82
Refunds—Police Department	.60
Refunds—Fire Department	185.15
Refunds—Sewer Department	1.00
Refunds on insurance premiums	15.80
David Carver—sign	9.25
Binder B	1.21
Calcium Chloride	6.00
Abe Satter—labor	.50
	$129,010.62

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1937	
March—Paid orders	$ 60,224.29
Outstanding borrowed money orders—Nos. 8432,8452	4,300.00
Current borrowed money orders—Nos. 8507, 8576, 8626, 8693, 8694 and 8751	26,400.00
Interest on bonds	3,270.00
Interest on borrowed money orders	429.19
Bonds due November 15, 1937	20,000.00
Treasurer's fees	953.31
Transfer to Cemetery Account	319.25
Transfers to Highway Account	9,512.91
	$125,408.95
Balance, March 1, 1938	3,601.67
	$129,010.62

W. B. SHEA, Treasurer

In Account with Highway Fund

Dr.

1937				
March	Balance as shown by last report			$ 1,260 30
	Avail orders for current year—Nos. 8506, 8577, 8627, 8695, 8750		$ 12,600.00	
	Taxes paid direct		11,218.28	
	Mrs. Julia Nash, collector		946.98	
	Taxes paid not on Grand List		3.30	
	Cash received for labor and supplies		1,017.40	
	State of Vermont:			
	Surface treatment	$ 500.00		
	State Aid	642.10		
	Maintenance of highways	411.00		
	Town of Benn., State Aid	1,123.50	2,677.60	
	Transferred from General Fund Acc't.			
	Regular highway Acc't.	$ 4,783.91		
	Permanent highway Acc't.	4,729.00	9,512.91	37,976.47
				$ 39,236.77

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1937				
March	Paid outstanding orders ..	$ 1,062.51		
	Paid orders for current year	24,150.81	$ 25,213.32	
	Paid avail orders for current year	$12,600.00		
	Interest on same	138.66	12,738.66	
W. B. Shea, Treas, fees for collections			112.18	38,064.16
	Balance			$ 1,172.61

WATER DEPARTMENT

Receipts

Village of Bennington, water rents to July 1, 1937		$ 3,108.00
Village of Old Bennington, water rents to Jan. 1, 1938		570.00
Water rents to Jan. 1, 1938		22,637.42
Metered water to October 1, 1937		4,605.38
Automatic sprinklers to Jan. 1, 1938		847.05
Cash received for supplies		514.83
		$ 32,282.68
Deposited by Clerk	$ 31,889.17	
Balance in Clerk's hands	393.51	
	$ 32,282.68	

Payments

The Water Commissioners have drawn orders for the payment of bills as follows:

3260	Treasurer of Henry W. Putnam Memorial Hospital, net proceeds from Sept. 30, 1936, to March 31, 1937 ..	$ 7501 42
3318	Treasurer of Henry W. Putnam Memorial Hospital, balance due on net proceeds of March 31, 1937	1600 00
3353	Treasurer of Henry W. Putnam Memorial Hospital, net proceeds from Mar. 31, 1937 to and including Sept. 30, 1937	6604.94
		$ 15,706.36

Office Supplies

United States Post Office, stamps, envelopes, box rent	$ 130 92
Bennington Bookshop, journal	11 35
Keeseman & Bennett, letter and bill heads	19 25
Livingston Press, billheads and supplies	70 50
	$ 232 02

Salaries

W. P. Hogan, 12 months salary	$ 1149 96
Grover Lyons, 12 months salary	2280 00
President and Water Commissioner, salary for period ending March 1, 1938	315 00
	$ 3744 96

Miscellaneous

M. J. Burrington, Jr., use of compressor	$ 418 91
Rutland Railroad Company, freight	124 07
Israel Laflamme, sand and gravel	113.15
Wills Insurance Agency, insurance on reservoir house, barn and employes	80 56
John Winslow, labor and supplies	56 20
W. B. Shea, Treasurer, transferred to renewal fund account	1500 00
Pittsburg Meter Company, repairs to meter	21 75
Buffalo Meter Company, repairs to meter	15 55
Village of Bennington Cemetery Dept., lime	31 50
Arthur Henson, reimbursement of tools	29 96
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. service	30 00
Roy Perry, sharpening lawn mowers	14 00
Edward Silver, Chief, men stationed at fire houses	10 00
Moffitt's Welding Service, thawing water pipes	20 00
Bruce Cole, sharpening lawn mowers	5 50
Joseph Pierce, sharpening lawn mowers	5 00
Harrington's Express, cartage	10 30
Hersey Meter Company, repairs to meter	4 95
National Meter Company, repairs to meter	5 52
Neptune Meter Company, repairs to meter	4 29
Moffitt's Welding Service, labor	3 75
J. E. Mattison, labor on safe	3 00
American Railway Express, express	1 06
Village of Bennington, ½ cost of office expenses for period ending March 1, 1938	1113 82
	$ 3622 93

Supplies

R. D. Wood & Company, cast iron pipe	$ 1468 45
Warren Pipe Company, cast iron pipe	590 71
Aird-Don Company, supplies	290 34
Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co., supplies	314 61
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	122 35
Adams Hardware Co., supplies	40 47
Builders Iron Foundry, charts for Venturi meter	12 68
James Hogan, old lead	6 90
Fred Williams, old lead	14 08
National Meter Co., meters	168 43
	$ 3029 02

Supplies for W. P. A. Project

Lafayette Lyons, dynamite	$ 35 00
Bennington Office Supply Company, exploders	49 76
F. L. Potter, tools	7 83
Davey and Waite, kerosene	53 19
H. M. Tuttle Company, trucking	47 97
Robert Dempsey, labor and supplies	2 90
	$ 196 65

Supplies for New Reservoir and Repairs to Reservoir No. 1

M. J. Burrington, Jr., pipe	$ 134 97
H. M. Tuttle Company, cement and brick	142 79
Adams Hardware Company, fence	162 44
George Burgess, gravel	23 75
A. J. Dewey, lumber	26 53
H. E. Estes, paint	24 50
A. H. Winslow, Inc., supplies	36 49
Israel Laflamme, gravel	29 70
H. W. Myers & Son, supplies	10 40
T. A. Carpenter & Sons, Inc., supplies	33 80
	$ 625 37
Payroll orders for period ending March 1, 1938	$ 4375 00

Disbursements for 12 months ending March 1, 1938, as shown by payrolls

General work	$ 1121 79
Supplies	67 49
New Services	335 50
Care of Lake Hancock	340 00
Maintenance of reservoir and springs	1344 65
Work at new reservoir	567 05
	$ 3776 48

W. P. A. Project

Labor sponsored by village for water main extensions on the following streets: Franklin Lane, Imperial Ave., Grandview, Spring St., Hamlin Ave., Jefferson Ave., Depot St., Pratt St. and Maple St.	459 35
	$ 4235 83

Summary

Payroll orders		$ 4375 00
Balance from last audit		110 51
		$ 4485 51
Disbursements	$ 4235 83	
Unexpended balance	249 68	
	$ 4485 51	

W. B. SHEA, Treasurer
In Account with Cemetery Fund

Dr.

W. P. Hogan, Clerk, current collections	$ 602 75	
Perpetual care	332 35	
Transferred from General Account	319 25	$ 1254 35

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By Trustees' orders for current year	1254 35	

W. B. SHEA, Treasurer

In Account with Water Department

Dr.

1937			
March	Balance as shown by last audit		$ 8939 78
	Water rents in clerk's hands as shown by last audit	640 40	
	Water rents collected from March 1st to March 31, 1937	461 01	
	Cash deposited by clerk to March 1, 1938	31,889 17	$ 32,990 58
			$ 41,930 36

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1937			
March	Paid outstanding orders	$ 2,539 77	
	Paid orders for current year	29,579.86	32,119 63
	Balance		$ 9,810 73

W. B. SHEA, Treasurer

In Account with Renewal Fund

Dr.

1937			
March	Balance as shown by last audit		1086 72
Sept. 30	Water Commissioner's order No. 3351	$ 1500 00	
	Interest to Jan. 1, 1938	23 85	1523 85
			*$ 2610 57

*No current orders drawn against this account

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOSTON
IN ACCOUNT WITH
VILLAGE OF BENNINGTON BONDS AND COUPONS

1937			
Nov. 15	To order No. 8859 (part)	$ 20,000.00	
	By Bonds Nos. 21 to 40, inclusive		$ 20,000.00
		$ 20,000.00	$ 20,000.00
1937			
May 15	To order No. 8541	$ 1,635.00	
	To Nov. 15, 1936 coupons outstanding	22.50	
	By November 15, 1936 coupons paid		$ 22.50
	By May 15, 1937 coupons paid		1,635.00
		$ 1,657.50	$ 1,657.50
1937			
Nov. 15	To order No. 8859 (part)	$ 1,635.00	
	By November 15, 1937 coupons paid		$ 1,635.00
		$ 1,635.00	$ 1,635.00

BONDED DEBT

4½ per cent refunding bonds dated May 15. 1932, which is due Nov. 15, 1938, $20,000	$ 20,000.00
1½ per cent refunding bonds dated Nov. 15, 1936, of which are due Nov. 15. 1939, $20,000—Nov. 15, 1940, $20,000—Nov. 15, 1941, $20,000—Nov. 15, 1942, $20,000—Nov. 15, 1943, $18,000	98,000.00

Report of the Auditors

We, the undersigned, your auditors, have attended to the duties of our office and report as follows:

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of your Trustees, Water Commissioners, Clerk, Collector and Treasurer, and find them correct as herein reported.

We have cancelled all orders paid by the Treasurer, drawn by the Trustees and Water Commissioners, also 20 four and one-half per cent $1000 refunding bonds Nos 21 to 40 inclusive.

We have also cancelled the following coupons:

20 $1000 4½% refunding bonds, Nos 21 to 40 inclusive	$ 20,000.00
1 coupon at $22.50, due, paid and cancelled Nov. 15, 1936	22.50
98 coupons at $7.50, due paid and cancelled Nov. 15, 1937	735.00
40 coupons at $22.50, due paid and cancelled Nov. 15, 1937	900.00
98 coupons at $7.50, due paid and cancelled Nov. 15, 1937	735.00
40 coupons at $22.50, due paid and cancelled Nov. 15, 1937	900.00

The following is a statement of the financial condition of the Village as we find it March 1, 1938, also a comparison of same with one year ago.

Assets	1938	1937
Bal. in General Fund	$ 3,601.67	$ 2,489.26
Bal. in Highway	1,172.61	197.79
Street Payrolls	690.63	169.33
Sewer Payrolls	57.39	17.45
Road Oiling Payroll	31.71	
Uncollected Taxes	19,705.46	24,060.38
Putnam Hose Property	3,500.00	3,500.00
International Truck	2,069.99	2,069.99
Snow Blade for Truck	401.29	401.29
Police Car	334.00	
Unpaid Sidewalk Assessments	3,801.61	3,923.27
Berkshire Street Railway	21,909.24	21,909.24
Village of Old Bennington (dumping ground assessment)	50.00	50.00
State of Vermont, appropriation for sewer construction	2,000.00	
State of Vermont, winter maintenance account	343.00	
	$ 59,668.60	$ 58,788.00

Liabilities

The First National Bank of Boston, 4½% refunding bonds issued May 15, 1932, acct. Water Dept. $25,000; acct. General Fund $35,000)	20,000.00	40,000.00
First National Bank of Boston, 1½% refunding bonds issued Nov. 15, 1936	98,000.00	98,000.00
County National Bank, avail order No. 8432, Feb. 5, 1937		2,800.00
County National Bank, avail order No. 8452, Mar. 2, 1937		1,500.00
Outstanding orders	4,294.69	3,292.90
Complying with vote of annual village meeting of 1937, wherein a tax of 12½ cents on the dollar of the Grand List was voted to purchase a recreational center and swimming pool	4,500.00	
	$126,794.69	$145,592.90
Total assets	59,668.60	58,788.00
Net debt of village	$ 67,126.09	$ 86,804.90
Apparent decrease during year	$ 19,678.81	

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Outstanding Orders

9022	Wm. B. Shea	43 92
9023	F. Howard Ferguson	101 52
9024	Edward Silver	40 00
9025	Myers Auto Sales, Inc.	334 00
9026	F. R. Paddock	502 00
9027	Rutland Railroad	3 80
9028	Cities Service Oil Company	296 45
9029	Redfield Norcross	11 90
9030	New England Tel. & Tel.	42 52
9031	President and Trustees Salary	360 00
9032	Arthur Watson	18 00
9033	Serviced Products Company	16 29
9034	Giles Harbour	8 00
9038	Twin State Gas & Electric Co.	833 86
9040	Chas. Sausville	150 00
9041	Wm. Braisted	115 50
9042	Robert Dempsey	24 15
9043	Guy Morse	36 34
9046	Hilda Hurley	88 00
9047	Wm. P. Hogan	95 83
		$ 3122 08

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

9035	Israel LaFlamme	56 63
9036	Morris Levin	93 75
9037	Davey & Waite	22 23
9039	Harry Clark, payroll	1000 00
		$ 1172 61

WATER DEPARTMENT

3408	Village of Bennington	1113 82
3409	President and Commissioner's salary	315 00
3410	W. P. Hogan	95 83
3411	Grover Lyons	190 00
3412	Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co.	85 51
3413	New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	2 50
3414	Rutland Railroad Co.	4 79
3415	Moffitt's Welding Service	20 00
3416	Payroll order	125 00
		$ 1952 45

RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTS

Department	Gross	Credit	Net Cost
Fire	$ 12,820.55	$ 184.51	$ 12,636.04
Police	10,976.53	263.60	10,712.93
Street Lighting	8,606.43		8,606.43
Sewer	2,400.07		2,400.07
Miscellaneous	14,071.47		14,071.47
Supplies	2,357.33		2,357.33
Annual and Special Village meetings	1,269.20		1,269.20
Cemetery	1,254.35	935.10	319.25
Salary and usual appro.	5,170.71	425.00	4,745.71
Refunding village indebtedness and interest	23,699.19		23,699.19
Reimbursements	147.46		147.46
Road oiling	5,848.07	500.00	5,348.07
W. P. A.	7,280.32		7,280.32
Highway account	15,400.00	1,054.10	14,345.90
Special highway	4,729.00	1,123.50	3,605.50
Highway bills	5,333.08	549.15	4,783.93
	$121,363.76	$5,034.96	$116,328.80

To provide for the running expenses of the Village for the coming year and to pay obligations maturing it will be necessary to raise a tax of 2.45 cents on the dollar.

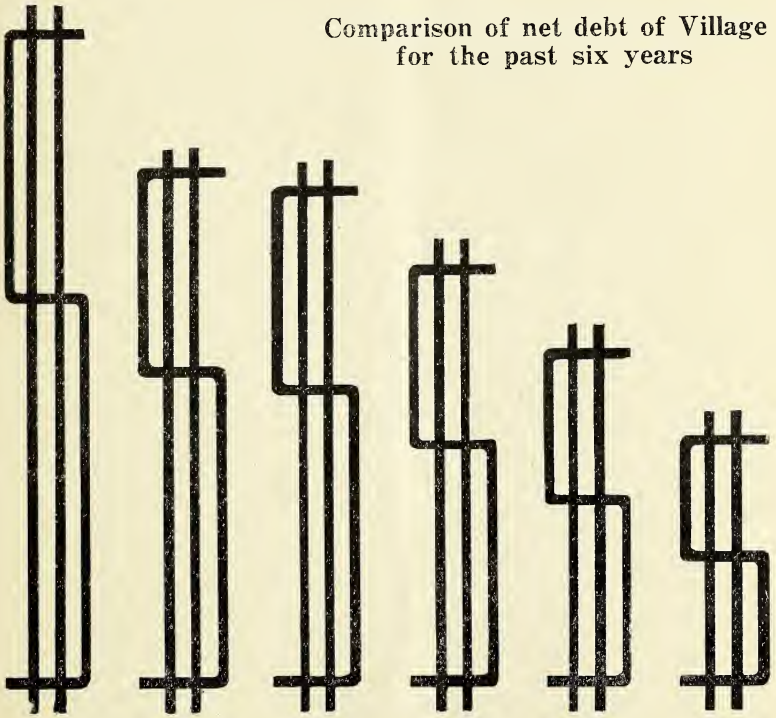
I. F. WAITE
ARTHUR ELWELL
KENNETH CLAYTON
Auditors

Budget

Fixed expense of the Village for the year ending March 1, 1938.

Interest	$ 4,000.00
Sewer maintenance	3,000.00
Fire Department	11,000.00
Salaries and app.	6,000.00
Police Department	11,000.00
Village meetings and elections	1,500.00
Street Lighting	10,500.00
Street oiling	4,000.00
Miscellaneous	14,000.00
Bonds due Nov. 15. 1938	20,000.00
Materials, tools, W. P. A. projects	4,000.00
	$ 89,000.00 Tax rate $2.45

Comparison of net debt of Village for the past six years



1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
$160,632.67	$127,217.33	$126,431.17	$105,012.58	$86,804.89	$67,126.09

WARNING

The legal voters of the Village of Bennington are hereby notified and warned to meet at the State Armory in said Village of Bennington on Tuesday, March 15, 1938, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to transact the following business:

Article 1.—To elect a president, a clerk, a treasurer, a collector of taxes, a corporation attorney, three auditors, three trustees, two water commissioners.

Article 2.—To see if the Village will vote to endorse daylight saving, so-called, for the summer of 1938 and so instruct its trustees, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 3.—To consider the reports of the officers of said Village for the past year.

Article 4.—To see what sum the Village will vote to appropriate to pay the Bennington Fire Department.

Article 5.—To see if the Village will vote to pay the chief of its fire department the sum of $200 and to each of two assistant engineers the sum of $100.

Article 6.—To see if the Village will vote to reimburse the members of its Fire Department for their 1938 poll and flood taxes.

Article 7.—To see if the Village will vote to pay the poll and old age assistant tax of all honorably discharged members of the fire department who have served 15 years or more as active members of said department and reached the age of fifty or over.

Article 8.—To see what sum the Village will vote to pay its president, trustees and water commissioners for the year ensuing.

Article 9.—To see what sum the Village will vote to appropriate for the construction and repair of curbs, gutters and sidewalks in and upon streets in said Village during the year ensuing.

Article 10.—To see what sum the Village will vote to pay its Clerk in addition to the sum prescribed in its by-laws for his services as such Clerk for the year ensuing.

Article 11.—To see if the Village will vote to appropriate $200 for the Chamber of Commerce, said sum to be used exclusively for the purpose of advertising the Village of Bennington, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 12.—To see if the Village will vote to instruct, authorize, and or empower its trustees to borrow in anticipation of taxes, a sum not to exceed $35,000 to defray Village expenses and to issue, execute, and or deliver the note or notes of the Village thereof.

Article 13.—To see what sum the Village will appropriate to and towards the extension of the Village sanitary sewer system and for the purpose of extension of the mains of its water system.

Article 14.—To see if the Village will vote to authorize the auditors of the Village to employ the services of an accountant from the office of the auditors of accounts as provided in No. 55 of the Acts of 1937 to conduct an audit of the accounts of the Village.

Article 15.—To see if the voters of the Village of Bennington will vote to make all water rents owed or to be owed to said Village a lien in the nature of a real estate tax upon the real estate so supplied with water, whether such rates, rents or charges be charged in the first instance against the owner or occupant thereof. Such lien to be enforced in the same manner and to the same effect as a lien for taxes under the charter of said

Village of Bennington, the deed of gift of said water works to said Village of Bennington, and the laws of the State of Vermont, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 16.—To see if the Village will vote to empower its trustees to enter into an agreement with the Twin State Gas and Electric company to extend the ornamental lighting system on North street from the terminal of said system northerly to the corner of River and North streets, at a cost not to exceed $225.00 per year, this question to be determined by ballot..

Article 17.—To see if the Village will appropriate by vote the sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200) for a skating rink to be constructed next fall and to be under the direction of the Village Trustees, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 18.—To see if the Village will vote to assess a tax of four per cent of its Grand List for public recreational purposes, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 19.—To see if the Village will vote to reimburse Charles Fienberg the sum of $50.68, the same being one-half the cost of a sidewalk built in front of his premises on Washington Avenue.

Article 20.—To see if the Village will vote to authorize its trustees to purchase street signs for the Village at a cost not to exceed $500, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 21.—To see if the Village will vote to instruct its trustees to establish a sinking fund to be used to replace the present fire trucks as needed, payments to such fund to be made at the rate of $1500 per year on November 1st, of each year, this question to be determined by ballot.

Article 22.—To see if the Village will vote to have the fiscal year close February 1st. of each year rather than March 1st as now the custom.

Article 23.—To see what tax the Village will raise upon the Grand List to defray the expenses of the Village for the year ensuing and to pay the indebtedness and to fix the time for collection of such tax.

Article 24.—To see if the Village will vote to have the provisions of Chapters 12 and 13 of the General Laws of Vermont and amendments thereto apply to the next annual meeting of the Village and to any intervening meetings thereof.

Article 25.—To transact any other business found necessary when met.

J. Halsey Cushman,
Village President.

Wm. P. Hogan
Village Clerk.

Dated at Bennington, Vermont, February 3, 1938.